

## Real Estate Fraud Prosecution

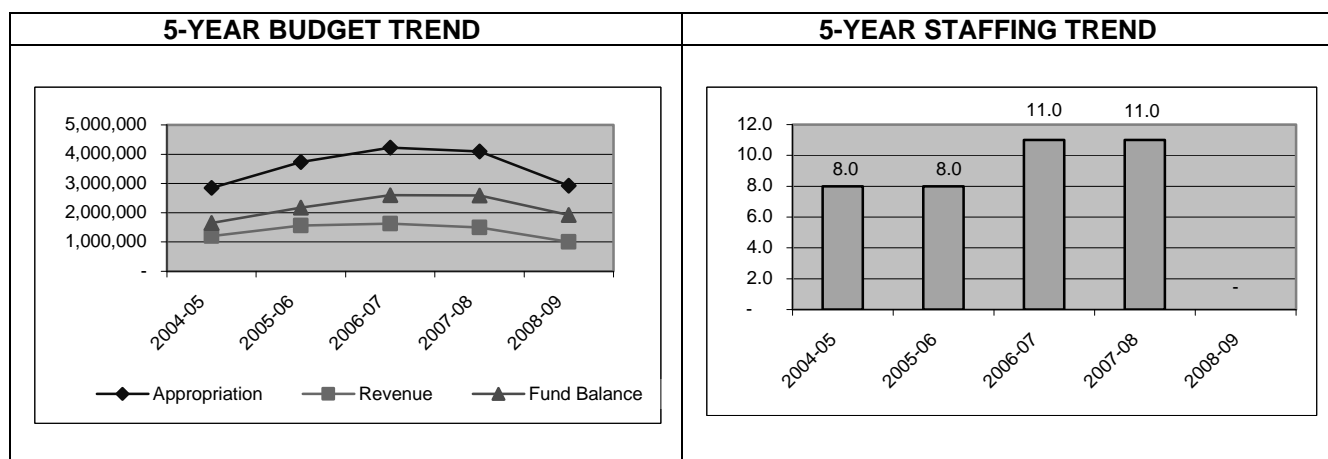
### DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

On January 23, 1996, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 96-14 to allow the county to collect, pursuant to Government Code Section 27388, a \$2 fee upon recording documents. These monies, in accordance with state law, are used to fund the Real Estate Fraud unit that investigates and prosecutes real estate fraud crimes in the county. This budget unit funds five investigators, one supervising investigator, two Deputy District Attorneys, one investigative technician, one office assistant and one secretary.

In this county the district attorney, not only prosecutes, but investigates all real estate fraud cases. The workload has steadily increased in the last several years and additional staffing has been added to meet the demand.

There will be no staffing associated with this budget unit in 2008-09. Staff that provide these services are budgeted in the District Attorney's Criminal Prosecution budget unit.

### BUDGET HISTORY



### PERFORMANCE HISTORY

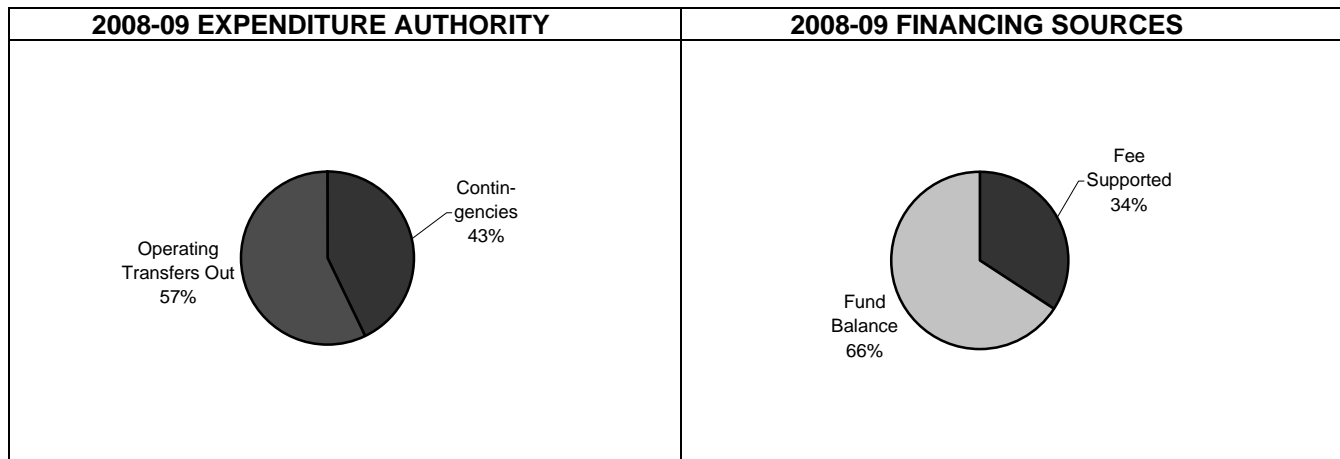
	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Actual	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Modified Budget	2007-08 Actual
Appropriation	1,004,667	1,095,372	1,335,055	4,088,637	1,558,895
Departmental Revenue	1,521,220	1,523,829	1,323,042	1,500,000	892,793
Fund Balance				2,588,637	
Budgeted Staffing				11.0	

Actual appropriation for 2007-08 is less than the modified budget. A minimal amount of contingencies were utilized in 2007-08 to cover the shortfall for an office remodel for Real Estate Services. The use of contingency funds was approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 13, 2008 (Item #60).

Actual department revenue for 2007-08 is less than modified budget due to the housing market/sub-prime mortgage fall out.



## ANALYSIS OF FINAL BUDGET



GROUP: Law and Justice  
 DEPARTMENT: District Attorney  
 FUND: Real Estate Fraud Prosecution

BUDGET UNIT: REB DAT  
 FUNCTION: Public Protection  
 ACTIVITY: Judicial

	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Actual	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Actual	2007-08 Final Budget	2008-09 Final Budget	Change From 2007-08 Final Budget
<b>Appropriation</b>							
Salaries and Benefits	880,196	975,957	1,123,084	1,342,315	1,433,481	-	(1,433,481)
Services and Supplies	83,902	78,525	125,761	147,656	113,258	-	(113,258)
Central Computer	3,945	6,133	7,327	6,884	6,879	-	(6,879)
Vehicles	-	-	41,902	16,202	23,000	-	(23,000)
Transfers	36,624	34,757	36,981	45,838	54,467	-	(54,467)
Contingencies	-	-	-	-	2,457,552	1,252,027	(1,205,525)
Total Exp Authority	1,004,667	1,095,372	1,335,055	1,558,895	4,088,637	1,252,027	(2,836,610)
Operating Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	1,670,507	1,670,507
Total Requirements	1,004,667	1,095,372	1,335,055	1,558,895	4,088,637	2,922,534	(1,166,103)
<b>Departmental Revenue</b>							
Current Services	1,521,220	1,517,351	1,323,042	892,793	1,500,000	1,000,000	(500,000)
Other Financing Sources	-	6,478	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	1,521,220	1,523,829	1,323,042	892,793	1,500,000	1,000,000	(500,000)
Fund Balance					2,588,637	1,922,534	(666,103)
Budgeted Staffing					11.0	-	(11.0)

The 2008-09 budget reflects a technical change in the way the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution staffing and expenses are budgeted. Employee/positions and expenses have been moved to the primary District Attorney's Criminal Prosecution budget unit and corresponding revenue from this budget unit will be transferred out to cover those costs. This change was requested to simplify the budget process and make this unit consistent with the other departmental special revenue funds.

